and M.r Isaac Handy, a Delegate returned for Somerset County L.H.J. Liber No. 54 were attending:

Oct. 3

Ordered, That M.r Earle and M.r Nicholas Thomas do go with those Gentlemen to the Upper House to see them qualified.

They return and acquaint M.r Speaker they saw them qualified in the usual Manner.

The Gentlemen takes their Seats in the House

On Motion of one of the Members for Cæcil County, that M.^r William Ward was duly elected a Member for that County, and that the Sheriff by Mistake had returned two Indentures for M. William Baxter and omitted to return an Indenture for M. Ward: Ordered, That the Sheriff immediately attend at the Bar of this House and bring with him the Polls and the Counter Parts of the Indentures taken at the said Election.

Ordered, That the Serjeant at Arms do forthwith serve the Sheriff of Cæcil County with a Copy of the said Order

Ordered, That M.r Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Secretary of this Province requiring him to make out a new Writ of Election directed to the Sheriff of Kent County to elect a Delegate to serve in this present General Assembly in the Room of M. Stephen Bordley late of that County deceased.

A Petition of Robert Henly Courts of Charles County complaining of an undue Election of M. Francis Ware and M. Josias Hawkins two of the Members for that County was read.

On a second Reading the said Petition; Ordered, that a Copy of the same be delivered to M. Francis Ware or left at his Dwelling House by Monday next at farthest; and that an Hearing on the said Petition be had at the Bar of this House on Monday the 14.th Instant.

Ordered, That the Clerk do make out all such Summonses as may be applied for by any of the Parties

Ordered, That a Message be proposed to the Upper House acquainting them with the Hours this House hath appointed for their Sitting for the Dispatch of the Publick Business during this Session

Ordered, That the following Rules be observed during this Session Viz.t

- That no Member of the House use any reviling Speeches or name any Member by his proper Name, but shall use some other Distinction, as, The Gentleman who spoke last, or the like.
- That no Member speak above once on any Debate, without License of the House, declared by the Speaker; and, if two Persons, or more, shall rise up together, the Speaker shall appoint who shall speak first; and no Member shall interrupt any other, until the Gentleman speaking hath ended.